

and all appropriate proceedings at that location have not been completed. (See §1.253 of this chapter.) However, if all parties to a proceeding concur in holding all hearing sessions in the District of Columbia rather than at any field location, the presiding administrative law judge may act on the request.

(e) In the absence of the administrative law judge who has been designated to preside in a proceeding, to discharge the administrative law judge's functions.

(f) All pleadings filed, or matters which arise, after a proceeding has been designated for hearing, but before a law judge has been designated, which would otherwise be acted upon by the law judge, including all pleadings filed, or matters which arise, in cease and desist and/or revocation proceedings prior to the designation of a presiding officer.

(g) All pleadings (such as motions for extension of time) which are related to matters to be acted upon by the Chief Administrative Law Judge.

(h) If the administrative law judge designated to preside at a hearing becomes unavailable, to order a rehearing or to order that the hearing continue before another administrative law judge and, in either case, to designate the judge who is to preside.

(i) The consolidation of related proceedings pursuant to §1.227(a) of this chapter, after designation of those proceedings for hearing.

[29 FR 6443, May 16, 1964, as amended at 37 FR 19372, Sept. 20, 1972; 38 FR 30559, Nov. 6, 1973; 43 FR 49307, Oct. 23, 1978; 44 FR 76295, Dec. 26, 1979]

**§0.357 Record of actions taken.**

The official record of all actions taken by the Chief Administrative Law Judge in docketed proceedings pursuant to §0.351 is contained in the original docket folder, which is maintained by the Secretary in the Dockets Branch.

[39 FR 37061, Oct. 17, 1974]

REVIEW BOARD

**§0.361 General authority.**

(a) The Review Board is constituted pursuant to section 5(d)(1) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,

to review decisions of the Administrative Law Judges in all adjudicative proceedings unless at the time of designation, the Commission specifies otherwise. The Board shall also perform those functions set forth in §§0.362 through 0.365 of this part and any additional duties assigned by the Commission not inconsistent with these functions.

(b) The Board is composed of three or more Commission employees. Members of the Board are designated by the Commission, serve indefinitely on a full-time basis, and are responsible only to the Commission. Neither the Commission nor any of its members will discuss the merits of any matter pending before the Board with the Board or any of its members.

(c) Two members of the Board shall constitute a quorum. The Board may sit in panels of two members. Any member assigned to a case who is not present at oral argument may, after reading the transcript of oral argument, participate in the Board's decision. However, so far as practicable, all of the members of the Board assigned to a case shall hear oral argument. In the case of a tie vote, a member of the Board not recused may review the record and vote; if a third member is not available, the case shall be certified to the Commission for decision.

(d) The member of the Board designated as Chairman by the Commission shall assign panels and cases on a rotational basis to the extent practicable. Each opinion of the Review Board will be signed by one of its members, who shall be responsible for its preparation.

(Secs. 4, 303, 307, 48 Stat., as amended, 1066, 1082, 1083; 47 U.S.C. 154, 303, 307)

[46 FR 58681, Dec. 3, 1981]

**§0.362 Action on initial decisions.**

(a) The Review Board shall decide each matter before it by majority vote in accordance with the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, rules and regulations, case precedent, and established policies of the Commission. In reviewing initial decisions referred to it, the Review Board is authorized to perform all of the review functions

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which would otherwise have been performed by the Commission under §§ 1.273 through 1.282 of this chapter.

(b) The Board shall adopt a decision within 180 days after the release date of an Initial Decision to which exceptions are taken; provided, however, that where, for good cause shown, extensions of time are requested by the parties and granted, the 180 days shall be extended likewise. If the Board does not adopt a decision before the appropriate date, any party may file a motion with the Commission for certification of the case for decision.

(Secs. 4, 303, 307, 48 Stat., as amended, 1066, 1082, 1083; 47 U.S.C. 154, 303, 307)  
[46 FR 58681, Dec. 3, 1981]

### § 0.363 Certification of matters to the Commission.

(a) The Review Board, on its own motion or upon motion to the Board by any party, may in its discretion certify any matter to the Commission with a request that the Commission act upon the matter. The Commission may act upon the matter or remand it to the Board for decision.

(b) Whenever the Commission determines that a matter pending before the Board involves a novel issue of law or policy, it may, on its own motion, direct that the matter before the Board be certified to the Commission for decision. However, no petition requesting the Commission to take such action will be entertained.

(Secs. 4, 303, 307, 48 Stat., as amended, 1066, 1082, 1083; 47 U.S.C. 154, 303, 307)  
[46 FR 58681, Dec. 3, 1981]

### § 0.365 Authority delegated.

(a) The Review Board is delegated general authority to take such action as may be necessary to perform those duties specified in §§ 0.361 through 0.363 of this part.

(b) The Review Board is delegated specific authority in all adjudicative cases to act on exceptions to initial or summary decisions, appeals from other rulings of Administrative Law Judges pursuant to §§ 1.301 and 1.302 of this chapter, and all related pleadings filed

in cases or matters which are before the Board.

(Secs. 4, 303, 307, 48 Stat., as amended, 1066, 1082, 1083; 47 U.S.C. 154, 303, 307)  
[46 FR 58682, Dec. 3, 1981]

### § 0.367 Record of actions taken.

The official record of all actions taken by the Review Board pursuant to §§ 0.361–0.365 is contained in the original docket folder, which is maintained by the Secretary in the Dockets Branch.

(Secs. 4, 303, 307, 48 Stat., as amended, 1066, 1082, 1083; 47 U.S.C. 154, 303, 307)  
[46 FR 58682, Dec. 3, 1981]

## NATIONAL SECURITY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DELEGATIONS

### § 0.381 Defense Commissioner.

The authority delegated to the Commission under Executive Order 11490 is redelegated to the Defense Commissioner.

[41 FR 31210, July 27, 1976]

### § 0.383 Emergency Relocation Board, authority delegated.

(a) During any period in which the Commission is unable to function because of the circumstances set forth in § 0.186(b), all work, business or functions of the Federal Communications Commission arising under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, is assigned and referred to the Emergency Relocation Board.

(b) The Board, acting by a majority thereof, shall have the power and authority to hear and determine, order, certify, report or otherwise act as to any of the said work, business or functions so assigned or referred to it, and in respect thereof shall have all the jurisdiction and powers conferred by law upon the Commission, and be subject to the same duties and obligations.

(c) Any order, decision or report made or other action taken by the said Board in respect of any matters so assigned or referred shall have the same effect and force, and may be made, evidenced, and enforced in the same manner, as if made or taken by the Commission.

[28 FR 12402, Nov. 22, 1963, as amended at 33 FR 8228, June 1, 1968; 53 FR 29055, Aug. 2, 1988]